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IN RE THE APPLICATION OF

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Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136, the applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two months to respond to the Office Action dated September 19, 2007. Response will therefore be timely if filed with the Patent and Trademark Office no later than February 19, 2008.

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.17, the required fee of \$460.00 should be deducted from Deposit Account No. 12-0913.

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Respectfully submitted,

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